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Thursday, April 8, 2010

Joyce Medina
Water Quality Control Commission Administrator
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RE: DAIRY REGULATIONS, WQCC 09-19(R)

Dear Ms. Medina:

The Lea County Board of Commissioners (LCBC) would like to express our personal opposition to the proposed rules dealing with the dairy industry submitted by the New Mexico Environment Department (NMED). These proposed rules would have severe negative implications for New Mexico and Lea County, without providing any scientific environmental benefit.

NMED's proposed regulations would impose strict new requirements for new dairies that are more stringent than regulations adopted by any other state without establishing the necessary scientific foundation. For example, many dairies would be required to install expensive double-liner systems for wastewater impoundments similar to those required for hazardous wastes, even though no state has ever required them for dairies. Clay liners allowed under recent regulations adopted in neighboring states, would be banned in New Mexico.

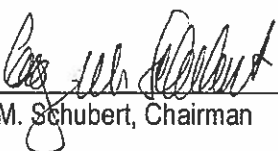
The LCBC has been advised that NMED also proposes to require existing dairies to upgrade to meet the costly requirements for new dairies without scientifically demonstrating any meaningful protection to groundwater. No evidence that any drinking water well could be impacted is required before the new requirements are imposed. Most dairies in Lea County are located in agricultural areas where shallow ground water has been impacted by several decades of human activity, including farming, and where only deeper, clean aquifers are used for drinking water. Indeed, NMED has identified septic systems as the largest polluter of ground water in New Mexico, with dairies responsible for less than 3% of ground water impacts.

To our knowledge, NMED has done no study on the economic impact of the proposed regulations on the New Mexico dairy industry, nor has it even estimated the cost for New Mexico dairies to comply with the new rules. Meanwhile, the dairy industry is estimated to have an economic impact to the state of over \$2 billion annually. If NMED's regulations are adopted, it could potentially result in the closure of up half of New Mexico's existing dairies because they simply cannot afford to meet all of the new requirements.

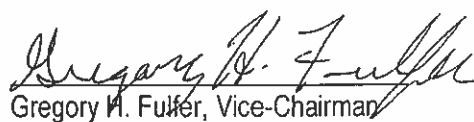
We urge the Water Quality Control Commission to carefully consider all of the consequences of NMED's proposal and to balance the benefits against the potential adverse consequences of the proposed regulations.

Thank you for considering this letter.

LEA COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS




Gary M. Schubert, Chairman



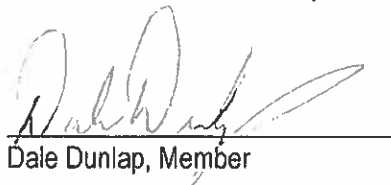
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Earlene Roberts
District VI Commissioner to
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P. O. Box 39
Lovington, New Mexico 88260

April 9, 2010

Water Quality Control Commission
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Re: Dairy Regulations, WQCC 09-13 (R)

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I would be interested in seeing recorded statistics which would support the necessity of all new regulations proposed on this subject. Can you please provide me with those statistics?

Thank you for your work to protect the quality and quantity of water for the citizens in New Mexico.

Sincerely,

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Economic Development Commissioner, District VI
cc: Mr. Fred Mondragon, Cabinet Secretary, EDD
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Medina, Joyce, NMENV

From: Jo Carey [jocare@hotmail.com]
Sent: Friday, April 09, 2010 10:19 AM
To: Medina, Joyce, NMENV
Subject: Dairy regulation

Dear Ms. Medina, it is about time we have some good solid regulation of our state's dairy farms. The contamination of ground water is particularly crucial. I support the following regulations and suggestions:

- * Synthetic liners for all dairy manure waste lagoons
 - * Monitoring wells to detect groundwater pollution
 - * Better quality control on dairy planning documentation, engineering, and reporting
 - * A fee structure that will ensure that the NMED has sufficient funds to carry out the permitting process and to ensure that dairies submit timely and accurate documentation
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- * Larger setbacks from water sources and from residences and businesses
 - * Monitoring for a larger list of possible contaminants
 - * Financial assurance so that when a dairy stops operating there is enough funding to cover the cost of closing down the dairy facility and any possible cleanup if there is contamination

Sincerely, Mary Jo Carey, El Prado, NM

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Medina, Joyce, NMENV

From: Carol Pittman [pitrtray@gilnet.com]

Sent: Friday, April 09, 2010 1:16 PM

To: Medina, Joyce, NMENV

Subject: Dairy regulations

Dear Ms. Medina,

I have just read through the regulations proposed by the New Mexico Environment Department relative to the dairy industry. I have also read through the written public comments relating to the new proposals. My observations include the following: 1) with few exceptions the letters in opposition to the proposed regulations come from either the dairy industry or businesses that serve that industry; 2) the letters in opposition stress the economic hardships, rather than environmental effects of industrialized dairy operations; and 3) the industry claims that the environmental impacts have not been studied, but they offer no documentation for that claim.

Having read what I can about cows crowded in such numbers in relatively small spaces, I believe that the evidence of contamination of groundwater is overwhelming. I live in a rural part of the state where cattle are raised for meat, not milk, and where those cattle have room to move about in normal fashion. When I travel to that part of the state where these industrialized dairy operations exist, I see cows crammed into incredibly small amounts of land and treated as if they were units of production, not living creatures. That observation aside, there can be no doubt that without very careful control of their wastes, these animals will undoubtedly have an effect on the surrounding environment, above and below ground. The smell is overwhelming, for example. A small operation, where cows are considered animals rather than units of production, may need to be considered separately from the large industrialized operations. But overall, the dairy industry should be made to do whatever is needed to protect our precious groundwater resources. The letters from those in opposition to those rules are universally concerned with the bottom line of those dairy operations rather than addressing environmental concerns. Considerable damage has already been done to groundwater resources in the vicinity of these industrial dairies, if what I read is accurate, and that damage should be reversed where possible, and not allowed to continue anywhere.

Thank you for your attention,
Carol Pittman
Datil, New Mexico

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From: Daryl and Fred [daryl and fred@starband.net]

Sent: Friday, April 09, 2010 9:15 AM

To: Medina, Joyce, NMENV

Subject: Proposed Amendment to Dairy Regulations

Proposed Amendment to
20.6.2 NMAC (Dairy Regulations) Docket Number: WQCC 09-13 (R)

We are writing on behalf of the rivers and clean water in New Mexico. We hope you will work for effective, fair groundwater discharge permit regulations for the dairy industry that will really protect our waters. In a perfect world, industries would self-regulate and maintain their workplaces and land in appropriate ways but it is not a perfect world. Animal associated operations, such as stockyards, chicken farms, and dairies can be particularly detrimental to the land and water.

In addition to the NMED proposals below,

- * Synthetic liners for all dairy manure waste lagoons
- * Monitoring wells to detect groundwater pollution
- * Better quality control on dairy planning documentation, engineering, and reporting
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we concur with Amigos Bravos that the following proposals be included and approved:

- * Larger setbacks from water sources and from residences and businesses
- * Monitoring for a larger list of possible contaminants
- * Financial assurance so that when a dairy stops operating there is enough funding to cover the cost of closing down the dairy facility and any possible cleanup if there is contamination

Thank you for your consideration. This is vital for the future of New Mexico's fresh water, which is very rare indeed.

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From: goodkaz@newmexico.com
Sent: Friday, April 09, 2010 9:29 AM
To: Medina, Joyce, NMENV
Subject: Proposed Amendment to 20.6.2 NMAC (Dairy Regulations) Docket Number: WQCC 09-13 (R)

Dear Ms. Medina,

I'm writing as a concerned citizen regarding the proposed amendment to the Dairy Regulations proposal. While the proposed amendment is a good step in the right direction in terms of ensuring environmental safety in the operations of dairy farms in our state, I support that the additional protections be added to the proposal:

- * Larger setbacks from water sources and from residences and businesses
- * Monitoring for a larger list of possible contaminants
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Thank you very much.

Arifa Goodman
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San Cristobal, NM 87564

Medina, Joyce, NMENV

From: Sierra Club Membership Services [membership.services@sierraclub.org] on behalf of Carl and Marilyn Weik [cmweik@q.com]
Sent: Saturday, April 10, 2010 8:14 AM
To: Medina, Joyce, NMENV
Subject: Re: Proposed Amendment to 20.6.2 NMAC (Dairy Regulations)

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Sincerely,

Mrs. Carl and Marilyn Weik
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From: Sierra Club Membership Services [membership.services@sierraclub.org] on behalf of Jeremiah Buchanan [swiii649@msn.com]
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Mr. Jeremiah Buchanan
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From: Sierra Club Membership Services [membership.services@sierraclub.org] on behalf of Tom & Nancy Florsheim [npf@weycogroup.com]
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Tom & Nancy Florsheim
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Santa Fe, NM 87501-1015

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From: Sierra Club Membership Services [membership.services@sierraclub.org] on behalf of Jean Sobers [jeansobers@comcast.net]
Sent: Saturday, April 10, 2010 2:15 PM
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From: Sierra Club Membership Services [membership.services@sierraclub.org] on behalf of Jim Kincaid [teachfreedom@aol.com]
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From: Sierra Club Membership Services [membership.services@sierraclub.org] on behalf of Jamie Ball [jamieball@leaco.net]
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From: Sierra Club Membership Services [membership.services@sierraclub.org] on behalf of Susanna Cooper [suyoco3@modez.com]
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Susan Christie
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From: Sierra Club Membership Services [membership.services@sierraclub.org] on behalf of Faith Garfield [garfield@newmexico.com]
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Ms. Faith Garfield
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Santa Fe, NM 87501-1518

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From: Sierra Club Membership Services [membership.services@sierraclub.org] on behalf of Jennifer Dickerson Bejarano [jldickerson@hotmail.com]
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Mrs. Jennifer Dickerson Bejarano
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Albuquerque, NM 87106-1009

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From: Sierra Club Membership Services [membership.services@sierraclub.org] on behalf of Jo Ann King [joannking10@leaco.net]
Sent: Saturday, April 10, 2010 11:15 AM
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I have lived in Lea County for 50 years. For the last 9 yrs. I have lived 900 feet from a dairy and less than 1 mile from another. My life has been a total nightmare, basically null and void. The lastest of our outdoor experiences was Easter. Due to the smell and the effluent irrigation of the fields across the street our Easter activities were ruined. All was canceled. I bought a swing set for my grandson two months ago, he has been able to play out side only four times. The smell causes our eyes to water, nose to run and a convulsive cough. As stated by the NMED, if you can smell it it will hurt you. Our quality of life was given us by the U.S. Constitution, now it has been taken away in the name of the economy and big business with no regulations to protect our rights.

During the summer months no one can venture outside because of the millions of flies. Just standing outside to visit with neighbors is impossible, you are constantly bombarded with flies. Flying into you, don't open your mouth, they will find a hiding place there. Many cookouts have been ruined because of the smell, flies, odors, and noise. Within seconds you are swarmed by the flies covering everything in sight. Air quality permits should be required for all dairies because of the number of pathogens expelled into the air daily.

Now we have the issue of water contamination. Water is essential for life. Without water nothing will exist. The dairies in our community have high levels of nitrates, TDS, chloride and TKN and are supposed to be in abatement but have continued to refuse the NMED requirements.

Fines should have been imposed but as to date none have. The dairy industry for many years have been allowed to basically do as they please without regard to the environment, health, safety, and welfare of the communities in which they operate. They are in this for the money and will tell you this. I live in a CMA, the depletion of our water and the continued illegal discharging of waste water whether on the ground or to a clay lined lagoon will eventually kill everything. With 70% of the dairies in New Mexico having groundwater contamination plumes and the majority of these have clay lined lagoons, it is time for new and strict regulations to be

adopted. Please adopt the new rules and regulations so that we will have a better tomorrow, that our children and grandchildren can have a better future.

Sincerely,

Jo Ann King
13100 Calle Bonita
Hobbs, NM 88242

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Sincerely,

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Hobbs, NM 88242-0626

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Sent: Saturday, April 10, 2010 8:45 PM
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Sincerely,

Mr. David Hamlow
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From: Sierra Club Membership Services [membership.services@sierraclub.org] on behalf of Andrea Konrath [redwood623@yahoo.com]
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Miss Andrea Konrath
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Mr. Eric Bottomly
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From: Sierra Club Membership Services [membership.services@sierraclub.org] on behalf of Miriam Komaromy [campo06@msn.com]
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Dr. Miriam Komaromy
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Albuquerque, NM 87110-4949

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From: Sierra Club Membership Services [membership.services@sierraclub.org] on behalf of Bonnie Buckingham [outofthermind@hotmail.com]
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Please think beyond this moment. Do not compromise long-term economic sustainability for the entire state by weakening regulations to serve one industry's short-term interests. The only way to protect precious aquifers is to not pollute them in the first place.

No usable water in NM = No long-term economic growth in NM.

The future depends on your leadership today.

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Sincerely,

Mrs. Bonnie Buckingham
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Aztec, NM 87410-0968

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From: Sierra Club Membership Services [membership.services@sierraclub.org] on behalf of Neil Williams [nwilliams@watershedwest.com]
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Santa Fe, NM 87501-8928

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From: Sierra Club Membership Services [membership.services@sierraclub.org] on behalf of James Broaddus [cosmosviewer@yahoo.com]
Sent: Saturday, April 10, 2010 10:44 AM
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Alamogordo, NM 88310-8504

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Mrs. Teresa Seamster
104 Vaquero Rd
Santa Fe, NM 87508-8190

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From: Sierra Club Membership Services [membership.services@sierraclub.org] on behalf of Sandra Edwards [sanwards@unm.edu]
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Ms. Sandra Edwards
329 Cardenas Dr NE
Albuquerque, NM 87108-1711

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From: Sierra Club Membership Services [membership.services@sierraclub.org] on behalf of Michelle Friessen [mfriessen@gmail.com]
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Ms. Michelle Friessen
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Albuquerque, NM 87109-2509

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From: Sierra Club Membership Services [membership.services@sierraclub.org] on behalf of Kirsten Lear [kirstenlear4@aol.com]
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Kirsten Lear
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From: Sierra Club Membership Services [membership.services@sierraclub.org] on behalf of Daryl Gray [dogray22@gmail.com]
Sent: Saturday, April 10, 2010 12:15 PM
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Mr. Daryl Gray
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Tijeras, NM 87059-6306

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From: Sierra Club Membership Services [membership.services@sierraclub.org] on behalf of DOROTHY RUNNELS [dottier88240@yahoo.com]
Sent: Saturday, April 10, 2010 12:15 PM
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DOROTHY RUNNELS 8188 W. ALABAMA HOBBS,
NM

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Ms. DOROTHY RUNNELS
8100 W Alabama St
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From: Sierra Club Membership Services [membership.services@sierraclub.org] on behalf of Mariel Nanasi [mariel@seedsbeneaththesnow.com]
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Mariel Nanasi
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From: Sierra Club Membership Services [membership.services@sierraclub.org] on behalf of Sam Khalsa [samkhalsa505@yahoo.com]
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Mr. Sam Khalsa
2 Aventura Rd
Santa Fe, NM 87508-8744

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From: Sierra Club Membership Services [membership.services@sierraclub.org] on behalf of Lilly Fenichel [abstract@swcp.com]
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Ms. Lilly Fenichel
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From: Sierra Club Membership Services [membership.services@sierraclub.org] on behalf of Jane Wilken [jswilken@comcast.net]
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From: Sierra Club Membership Services [membership.services@sierraclub.org] on behalf of Carol Sky [carolskyart@gmail.com]
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Santa Fe, NM 87501-1337

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Albuquerque, NM 87111-7521

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From: Sierra Club Membership Services [membership.services@sierraclub.org] on behalf of Thaddeus Dyman [tsdyman@hotmail.com]
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